

House Resolution No. 3197

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State governmental agencies that admirably improve quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods through the excellence of their proactive public safety endeavors; and

Whereas, the Blue Springs Police Department will sponsor the city's tenth annual National Night Out on August 5, 2008, in order to educate children and adults about crime prevention, general public safety, and the danger of drugs; and

Whereas, the National Night Out celebration in Blue Springs is a mini-carnival that 3,000 persons attended in 2007 and for which the Blue Springs Police Department was joined by such additional organizations as the TIPS Hotline Kansas City Metro Area, Missouri Canine Search and Rescue, Lifeflight Eagle, Lee's Summit Underwater Rescue Team, and Missouri State Highway Patrol; and

Whereas, National Night Out was created by the National Association of Town Watch in 1984 and is now observed in over 10,000 communities in the United States and Canada; and

Whereas, National Night Out, also known as "America's Night Out Against Crime", is designed to heighten awareness and strengthen participation in local anticrime efforts; and

Whereas, traditional "lights on" and front porch vigils remain a part of National Night Out, but activities have expanded to include block parties, cookouts, parades, visits from police, festivals, neighborhood walks, safety fairs, contests, rallies, and meetings; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse daily activities in order to recognize such outstanding local law enforcement agencies as the Blue Springs Police Department:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the public safety leadership embodied in the work of the Blue Springs Police Department and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for a highly successful National Night Out observance on August 5, 2008; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the Blue Springs Police Department.

Offered by _____
Representative Gary Dusenberg
District No. 54

Representative Bryan Pratt
District No. 55

Representative Brian Yates
District No. 56

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3197, adopted May 21, 2008.

Rod Jetton, Speaker